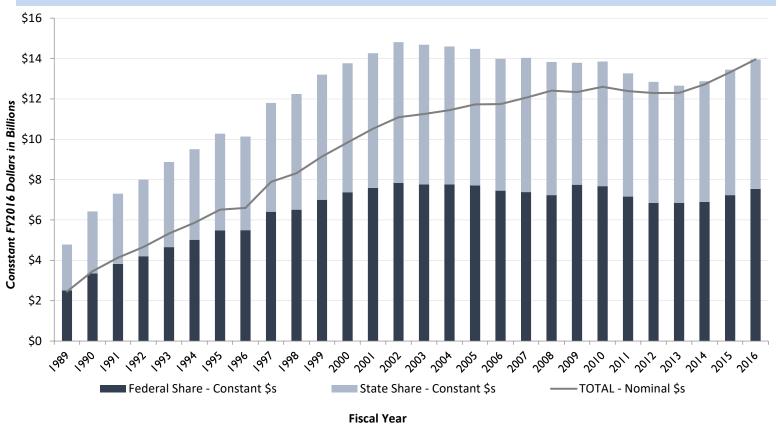
Figure 11-6. Trend in Federal and State Title IV-E Spending for Foster Care, Adoption Assistance, and Kinship Guardianship Assistance, FY1989-FY2016

The Title IV-E program is a federal-state partnership under which the federal government has agreed to pay a part of the cost of a state providing foster care, adoption assistance, and, (at state option) kinship guardianship assistance. Title IV-E spending, whether state or federal, must only be for Title IV-E eligible activities and/or on behalf of Title IV-E eligible children. In constant FY2016 dollars (columns), total Title IV-E program spending grew steadily through the 1990s and peaked in FY2002 at \$14.8 billion. It declined for most of the next decade but appears to be trending up again, with FY2016 spending of \$14.0 billion. Overall the federal share of program costs has ranged from 52% to 56% of this total spending, and it was at 54% in FY2016.



**Source**: Figure prepared by CRS on October 31, 2018 for the 2018 version of the House Ways and Means Committee *Green Book*. **Note:** Dollars were adjusted for inflation using the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) monthly CPI-U averaged across the fiscal year. Data for all years are based on state Title IV-E expenditure claims as compiled by HHS, ACF, Office of Legislative Affairs and Budget (OLAB). See Table 11-6 for data used in this figure.

## Table 11-6. Federal and State Title IV-E Spending for Foster Care (FC), Adoption Assistance (AA), and Kinship Guardianship Assistance (GA), FY1989-FY2016

Dollars in Billions

|        |  |                | in Nominal Dollars       | FC, AA, and C                            |                |                          |                      |
|--------|--|----------------|--------------------------|--|----------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Fiscal | (These data are not adjusted for inflation.) |                |                          | (These data are adjusted for inflation.) |                |                          | Federal Share as a % |
| Year   | Federal spending                             | State spending | Federal + State spending | Federal spending                         | State spending | Federal + State spending | of Total Spending    |
| 1989   | \$1.285                                      | \$1.170        | \$2.455                  | \$2.504                                  | \$2.281        | \$4.785                  | 52.3%                |
| 1990   | \$1.803                                      | \$1.656        | \$3.459                  | \$3.346                                  | \$3.075        | \$6.422                  | 52.1%                |
| 1991   | \$2.162                                      | \$1.972        | \$4.134                  | \$3.821                                  | \$3.485        | \$7.306                  | 52.3%                |
| 1992   | \$2.449                                      | \$2.216        | \$4.665                  | \$4.202                                  | \$3.802        | \$8.004                  | 52.5%                |
| 1993   | \$2.797                                      | \$2.531        | \$5.328                  | \$4.658                                  | \$4.215        | \$8.872                  | 52.5%                |
| 1994   | \$3.094                                      | \$2.767        | \$5.861                  | \$5.020                                  | \$4.489        | \$9.509                  | 52.8%                |
| 1995   | \$3.479                                      | \$3.030        | \$6.508                  | \$5.490                                  | \$4.782        | \$10.272                 | 53.4%                |
| 1996   | \$3.580                                      | \$3.021        | \$6.601                  | \$5.496                                  | \$4.638        | \$10.134                 | 54.2%                |
| 1997   | \$4.282                                      | \$3.607        | \$7.890                  | \$6.404                                  | \$5.395        | \$11.799                 | 54.3%                |
| 1998   | \$4.425                                      | \$3.893        | \$8.318                  | \$6.511                                  | \$5.729        | \$12.240                 | 53.2%                |
| 1999   | \$4.852                                      | \$4.290        | \$9.142                  | \$7.005                                  | \$6.194        | \$13.199                 | 53.1%                |
| 2000   | \$5.267                                      | \$4.572        | \$9.839                  | \$7.371                                  | \$6.397        | \$13.767                 | 53.5%                |
| 2001   | \$5.596                                      | \$4.926        | \$10.522                 | \$7.586                                  | \$6.677        | \$14.263                 | 53.2%                |
| 2002   | \$5.865                                      | \$5.225        | \$11.089                 | \$7.833                                  | \$6.978        | \$14.811                 | 52.9%                |
| 2003   | \$5.949                                      | \$5.301        | \$11.249                 | \$7.763                                  | \$6.917        | \$14.680                 | 52.9%                |
| 2004   | \$6.086                                      | \$5.357        | \$11.442                 | \$7.762                                  | \$6.832        | \$14.593                 | 53.2%                |
| 2005   | \$6.244                                      | \$5.482        | \$11.725                 | \$7.709                                  | \$6.769        | \$14.478                 | 53.2%                |
| 2006   | \$6.261                                      | \$5.480        | \$11.741                 | \$7.456                                  | \$6.526        | \$13.982                 | 53.3%                |
| 2007   | \$6.342                                      | \$5.719        | \$12.061                 | \$7.379                                  | \$6.655        | \$14.034                 | 52.6%                |
| 2008   | \$6.489                                      | \$5.922        | \$12.411                 | \$7.230                                  | \$6.598        | \$13.828                 | 52.3%                |
| 2009   | \$6.929                                      | \$5.408        | \$12.337                 | \$7.744                                  | \$6.045        | \$13.790                 | 56.2%                |
| 2010   | \$6.985                                      | \$5.613        | \$12.598                 | \$7.678                                  | \$6.170        | \$13.848                 | 55.4%                |
| 2011   | \$6.685                                      | \$5.702        | \$12.386                 | \$7.158                                  | \$6.105        | \$13.264                 | 54.0%                |
| 2012   | \$6.554                                      | \$5.733        | \$12.287                 | \$6.852                                  | \$5.994        | \$12.846                 | 53.3%                |
| 2013   | \$6.657                                      | \$5.641        | \$12.297                 | \$6.848                                  | \$5.803        | \$12.652                 | 54.1%                |
| 2014   | \$6.817                                      | \$5.897        | \$12.715                 | \$6.902                                  | \$5.971        | \$12.872                 | 53.6%                |
| 2015   | \$7.168                                      | \$6.152        | \$13.320                 | \$7.235                                  | \$6.209        | \$13.444                 | 53.8%                |
| 2016   | \$7.544                                      | \$6.413        | \$13.958                 | \$7.544                                  | \$6.413        | \$13.958                 | 54.1%                |

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